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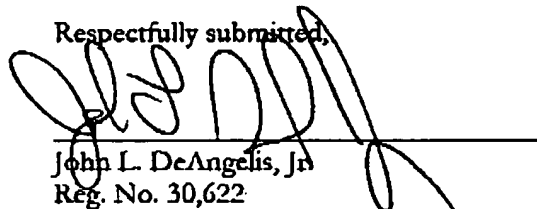
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 16, 2005, the Applicants hereby submit amendments to certain claims and related remarks for the Examiner's consideration.